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This is a Preliminary Amendment In response to the telephone conversations with Examiner Nashed on May 12 and May 17, 2006.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows and consider the following remarks. Material added is indicated by underlining (underlining) and material deleted is indicated by strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~).

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to Claims, as reflected In the Listing of Claims, begin on page 4 of this paper.

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